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Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited for
T. O. DAVIS,
for Councilman for the year 1888.

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On the 6th inst., two animals, a steer and heifer; heifer grey, one year old, with no brand. Red and white steer, one year old; no brand. If not claimed, will be sold on the 30th inst. at 10 o'clock a.m., at PETER ROBERTSON'S, Prince Albert.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

(By Special Telegraph.)

WINNIPEG, Dec. 23.

While out shooting, the Prince of Wales was slightly injured by the accidental discharge of his gun.

A prize fight took place in France between Kilrain and Smith, American and English champions. After over 100 rounds had been fought, the affair was declared to be a draw.

Bishop Carbery, Roman Catholic bishop of Hamilton, is dead.

Christmas will be spent by Queen Victoria at Osborne.

Mr. Gladstone will visit Italy next week, taking a short rest.

Doherty, an American, has been sentenced to imprisonment for life in England for killing another American.

The Conservatives of Manitoba held a picnic at Glenboro.

It has again been given out that after next session of Parliament, Mr. Royal will become Lieutenant-Governor of the Northwest.

Amerlin, the man who attempted the assassination of Jules Ferry, has been declared insane.

Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Chas. Tupper are at present at Ottawa. A conference is being held in regard to the fisheries question.

The Dominion Parliament will meet on the last day of January next.

It is reported that Russia and Austria are both massing troops on the frontier. Lord Salisbury, in a speech, declared there was no cause for alarm.

Several Canadian and English journals say that negotiations are in progress between the Canadian Government and the C. P. R. looking to the former taking over the national road. The statement has been officially denied, but it is not denied that the company are asking a guarantee of $10,000,000 to be expended on elevator accommodation and additional rolling stock. There seems to be no doubt that some financial project is on foot, and that monopoly in Manitoba will soon be a thing of the past.

The Hon. John Norquay has resigned the premiership, and Dr. Harrison has been called on to form a new Ministry. It is probable he will appeal to the country.

TOWN OF PRINCE ALBERT.

Abstract of Receipts and Expenditures for 1887

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand from 1886,	$ 192 42
Taxes received	4,472 30
Dog tax	55 00
Licences	334 00
Fines	24 00
N. W. Council	200 00
Total Receipts	$5,278 72

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries, 1886	$242 00
Sundries, 1886	177 98
Borrowed money and interest	216 00
Balance due on school	600 00
Salaries, 1887	410 00
Fire apparatus etc.	431 92
School	800 00
Health	92 50
Roads	800 56
Printing	59 60
Charity	23 85
Collector's commission	98 06
Stationery	12 50
Fuel and light	10 70
Rent and dump ground	100 00
Band	100 00
Int. on school note	42 50
100 dog tags	10 35
Solicitor's fee	10 00
Killing dogs and constables duties	19 00
Surveying and Engineering	225 00
Sundries	29 31
Total Expenditure	$4,596 12
Balance on hand, Dec. 23	$685 60

The Town Council held twenty five meetings during the year. Mayor Macarthur attended twenty two, Councillors Bain twenty one, Stewart twenty two, Bratnober twenty and Aglow eighteen.

Dan Sullivan had a small patch of ground on the R. D. Hill which yielded 50 bushels per acre.

CHIT-CHAT LOCALS.

Gathered by our Reporters

Mr. Geo. Russell returned last week.

T. O. Davis will leave for the east on Monday next.

Mr. And. Goodfellow leaves for Peterboro on Monday next.

The school closed to-day for Christmas and New Year's holidays.

R. C. Wigmore & Co. have a choice assortment of candies on hand.

A meeting of the Board of Trade will be held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday next.

Mr. John Stewart has begun the erection of a building on the corner of King and River streets.

Mr. Barney Taylor, of this town, left yesterday for St. Paul, Minn., to spend the holidays with his friends.

The many friends of Messrs. Walters & Baker will regret to hear that they lost their case against the C. P. R.

Judge McGuire arrived back from Regina on Sunday where he had been attending a full bench of the Northwest Supreme Court.

S. L. Bedson, Inspector of Jails, Major Jones, and Major Buchan of the gallant 90th are in town. Mr. Bedson is here inspecting the new jail.

A strong Chinook wind blew all yesterday. It melted the snow very rapidly. During the afternoon we were favored with a light fall of rain.

Self-registering Thermometers, special quality, made to order and indicating accurately to 70 degrees below zero, for sale by T. E. Jackson at the Medical Hall.

Mr. Angus Thompson, who has been taking a trip through Ontario and the United States, returned on Saturday last. He enjoyed a pleasant trip and looks well since his return.

Crops around Red Deer Hill are turning out about 100 per cent. better than was at first expected. Over 10,000 bushels of grain have been thrashed on and around the Hill.

The nomination for mayor and six councilmen, for the ensuing year, takes place on Monday next in the Council Chamber. Wards No. 1 and 4 will each have one representative and wards No. 2 and 3 will each have two.

Municipal affairs are very quiet as yet, no candidates are definitely in the field. A petition is in circulation asking Dr. Bain to be a candidate for the Mayoralty. Mayor Macarthur has decided not to seek municipal honors this coming year.

A social for the benefit of the Presbyterian Church will be given on Wednesday evening next. Tea will be served in Knox's shop from 5 to 7 30 p.m. After which a musical and literary entertainment will be given in the church, commencing at 8 o'clock.

Arrived this week for T. E. Jackson:—Perry Davis' Pain Killer, Allan's Lung Balsam, Rickseecker's Perfumes, including the new and popular Lotus of the Nile, Martha Washington and Umac.

On Thursday evening Mr. Thos. Rice met with a very serious and painful accident by which he will be laid up for the balance of the winter and be very fortunate if he is not crippled for life. He was driving with Messrs. Bratnober and Harry. Woodman and when near E. Goodfellows corner one of the traces broke, and Mr. Woodman's horses being spirited they gave a plunge, turning the corner sharply, overset the cutter, throwing the occupants out. None of them were hurt except Mr Rice, who made a jump from the rig, and put several of the bones of one ankle out of place. The doctors on examination had to cut the leg so as to enable them to reset the bones.

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St. Alban's or Ust. Mary's Churches.—11 a.m. Services in both Churches and 3 p. m. Sunday School 3 p.m. Incumbent in charge, Archdeacon G. McKay.

St. Catherines—10.30 a. m.—Rev. Canon Flett, B.D.

St. Paul's—3 p. m.—Rev. Canon Flett B. D.

St. Andrew's—10:30 a. m.—Mr. Massie.

St. John's—4 p.m.—Mr. Massie.

St. James—7 p. m.—Rev. L. J. Taylor.

St. Alban's (R. C.)—10:30 a.m. and 3 p. m.—Rev. Pere Dumoulin.

St. Paul's Presbyterian—11 a. m. and 7 p.m.—Rev. Dr. Jardine.

Wesley Methodist Church—Red Deer Hill and Island Class every alternate Sunday morning at 11:30; East End Sab. S. p.m. Monday P. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7:30. Mission and East End. Rev. J. H. Howard, pastor in charge.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 23, 1887.

CHRISTMAS.

At this glad season of the year, when the Christian Church and Christian people of all nationalities set apart a day in commemoration of the greatest event that ever transpired in the history of our world, it may not be amiss to call to mind the origin of the Christmas Festival and how the day was celebrated in former times. The first celebration of the event was undoubtedly the grandest and most important of all. On that day, 1887 years ago, the saviour of the world was born in the fulfilment of prophecy and the Divine promise. On that occasion, while the shepherds of Bethlehem watched their flocks at night on Judea's plains the announcement was made to them by the angelic host that the Christ was born. On that night was proclaimed good tidings of great joy to all nations, and the heavenly heralds sang glory to God and peace on earth and good will toward men. There does not appear to have been any uniformity in the period of observing the holiday among the early Churches. Some held the festival in May or April, others in January; the former month would appear to have been about the time of year Christ was born, and it is almost certain that the 25th of December cannot be the nativity of the Saviour, for that was then, as it is now, the height of the rainy season in Judea, and Shepherds could hardly be watching their flocks on the plains by night; they most likely then, as they do now, kept them in the folds at night. The spurious Decretals attribute the institution of the festival to Telisphanus in the reign of Antonius Pius (138 to 161 A.D.), but the first certain traces of it are found in the time of the Roman Emperor Commodus, 189 A.D. In the reign of Diocletion a number of Christians assembled at Nicomedia to celebrate the festival, and they were all—by order of the Emperor—burnt to death in their church; this was about the year 290 A.D. Christmas not only became the parent of many later festivals, but especially from the fifth to the eighth centuries gathered round it, as it were, several other festivals partly old and partly new; so that a *Christmas cycle* sprang up, which surpassed all other Christian holidays to the manifold richness of its festivities and furthered, more than any other, the completion of the systematic distribution of church festivals over the whole year. The festival of the Nativity was not celebrated casually or arbitrarily on December 25th. Perhaps the most powerful of the causes that co-operated in fixing this period as the proper one was, that almost all the heathen nations regarded the winter solstice as a most important point in the year, as the beginning of the new life and activity of the powers of nature, and of the gods, who were originally only the symbolical personification of these. This fact must have made itself peculiarly palpable in more northern countries—for from the earliest times the Celts and Germans celebrated the season with elaborate festivities. At the same season the Germans held their great Yule-feast in commemoration of the sun, and believed that the twelve nights prior to January 6th they could trace the personal movements and influences on earth of their gods. Many of the beliefs and customs of the old Germans and Romans relating to this matter passed over from heathenism to christianity and have partly survived to the present day. In order to combat and banish the heathen feeling—and to purify the heathen customs and feasts which it retained—the church devised its grand liturgy as well as dramatic representations of the birth of Christ and events of his life. Hence sprang what were called the "Manger Songs" and Christmas carols as well as Christmas dramas which at times degenerated into farces, and from the same source, at a later day, originated the Christ-trees or Christmas trees, adorned with lights and gifts as is our own day. The custom of sending Christmas cards to friends has a comparative recent origin. Although some sections of the Christian church regard the festival, in its religious aspect, as a mere human invention and is savoring of papacy, yet all observe it as a social holiday. But within the last 100 years the ceremonies once appropriate to Christmas have greatly fallen off, these at one time lasted with more or less brilliancy and with great spirit to the twelfth day; now a religious service in some churches and social gatherings is about all that distinguishes the day from others. On the eve of Christmas too, that friend of the children, Santa Claus, pays his yearly visit; there are many pretty and interesting customs and legends in different countries connected with Christmas which space will not permit us to notice.

FLOUR CONTRACT.

It is quite a while since we have had occasion to find fault with the Government. They have for the past two years treated the people of these Territories most liberally; but even yet they may be guilty of actions which subject them to adverse criticism and which call for a protest from the people. The awarding the contract to supply flour for the Indian Department to an outsider is a great injustice to the farmers of this District. The labors of the husbandmen have this year been blessed with a bountiful harvest for which there is no outside market; the grain raised in the district must be consumed there; the farmer is induced to raise a larger crop than he requires for his own use, knowing that large supplies are required for the Indians and Police and relying on these departments for a market for his surplus grain. It is direct vetoon farming, on the part of the Government to purchase the supplies outside the district. The reason alleged for awarding the contract to Ogilvie & Co. is that the flour made here does not come up to the standard required for Indians. The Indian is such a dainty creature that bread which the white man considers a luxury is not good enough for his delicate stomach; the bread on which we live and which we consider superior to that made from imported flour would so impair the digestive organs of the Savage that his guardians must needs go to the uttermost parts of the earth to secure a superior quality for him. Surely what is good enough for a white man should be good enough for the Indian who until recently did not know what bread was. There is a large quantity of wheat in the district which will grade equal to the best grown in Manitoba or the States and there are mills capable of turning out as fine a quality of flour, and we contend that even if the sample were not of the best, the contract should have been awarded to people here, and thus afford a market to farmers as well as encourage them in their efforts to bring the land under cultivation.

BIRTH.

DAVIS—At Prince Albert, on the 17th inst., the wife of T. O. Davis, Esq., of a daughter.

MCKAY—In Hilstown, on the 10th inst., the wife of Joseph McKay, jr., of a son.

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CHRISTMAS CHILD.

I know the bells on Christmas Day
Their music's sweetest are,
And that they ring their song alway
Above the sleeping world to-day;
My heart would hear them ring
But yesterday.

I know the feet that Christmas brings
Are dearest unto me,
And that the voice that Christmas sings
Is sweeter than all other things
This day to me;
And so it seems
It always was, and will be aye,
Ever since first the Christmas morn
Made manger of the Christ new born
Most holy hallowed day.

I know the eyes that Christmas sees
Are tenderest eyes to me,
And that the smile that Christmas frees
Is dearer than all other smiles
To memory;
And so it seems
It always was, and will be aye,
Ever since first the Christmas night
Was starred and lighted by the light
Of Bethlehem.

I know the love that Christmas gives,
Is purest love to me,
And that the joy that Christmas lives
In dearer than all other joys
I hold in fee;
And so it seems
It always was, and will be aye,
Ever since first the Christmas night
Was starred and lighted by the light
Of Bethlehem.

I know the peace that Christmas brings
Is deepest peace to me,
And that the calm that Christmas sings
Is holier than all other calms
On land or sea;
And so it seems
It always was, and will be aye,
Ever since first the Christmas night
Was starred and lighted by the light
Of Bethlehem.

I know the rest that Christmas yields
Is sweetest rest to me,
And that the hush that Christmas fields
Is stiller than all other hushes
Of memory;
And so it seems
It always was, and will be aye,
Ever since first the Christmas night
Was starred and lighted by the light
Of Bethlehem.

I know the hope that Christmas holds
Is fairest hope to me,
And that the trust that Christmas folds
Is firmer than all other trusts
Of memory;
And so it seems
It always was, and will be aye,
Ever since first the Christmas night
Was starred and lighted by the light
Of Bethlehem.

I know the home that Christmas hails
Is happiest home to me,
And that the fire that Christmas fails
Is warmer than all other fires
Of memory;
And so it seems
It always was, and will be aye,
Ever since first the Christmas night
Was starred and lighted by the light
Of Bethlehem

THE HALIFAX SCARE.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 9.—Intense excitement prevails among the Imperial military officers to day over what appears to be a deliberate attempt to blow up a gun cotton tank on George's Island. In the centre of Halifax harbor stands George's Island. It is the most strongly fortified spot in the world. It not only commands the city but sweeps the entrance to the harbor and northwest arm. It is armed with eighty and one hundred ton guns and upon it is stored the largest portion of enormous supplies of torpedoes, gun cotton, powder, shells and other munitions of war, for which Halifax is the depot for North America. The island is about an acre in extent. On the northeast shore is sunk a large tank in which several tons of gun cotton is stored, enough to blow all Halifax to eternal smash. No one is allowed upon or in the vicinity of the Island except those on duty. In the midst of the snow storm at 22 o'clock the daughter of the sergeant in charge thought she overheard men talking. She called to them but they took no notice of her. Then she raised the alarm. Some soldiers were called out and rushed towards the tank. The soldiers were some little distance off and hearing them coming two of the men jumped into a boat, whereupon the third one shouted out, "don't leave me in the lurch after doing your dirty work." He made a spring for the boat and the three got several yards away from the tank before the soldiers reached there, and as the latter were aroused out of bed they had not their rifles with them, consequently could not bring the intruders to bay. An alarm was immediately raised and information conveyed to General Lord Alexander Russell and staff. Gen. Russell ordered the wharves to be guarded, all vessels to be searched and double guards to be placed on duty to patrol the Island all tight. It is believed the object of the men was to bore an augur hole through the cover and attach a fuse. If this had been accomplished, not only George's Island with its magnificent fortifications, but all the ships in the harbor and two-thirds of Halifax must have been destroyed. It would have been the most tremendous and terrible explosion of modern times, while the loss of life would have been appalling.

THE NEWS IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The reported attempt to blow up a fort in Halifax harbor created a tremendous sensation here. All the London papers led their editions with the story and attributed the outrages to Fenians.

A POLICE SCANDAL

MONTREAL, Dec. 11.—Rarely, if ever, have the citizens of any city on this continent been so startled as were the people of Montreal Saturday morning, when it became known that Private Detective Fahey, City Detective Naegel, son of the deputy chief, and City Constable Bureau were arrested on a charge of complicity in a number of robberies perpetrated in the city during the last few years, the principal one being that at the G. T. R. depot about six weeks ago, when $1,200 was stolen. The story of their discovery is a startling one. During the summer months Harry Phillips, a well known sporting man now in England as Joan L. Sullivan's manager, left his house while away in charge of Detective Fahey. During his absence the house was mysteriously robbed, and as Fahey could not find the culprit Phillips determined to employ an American officer. He accordingly brought on Frank Wilson, a celebrated New York detective, who, as a first step, got acquainted with Fahey and in due time with Naegel and Bureau, the latter at that time being in the employ of the G. T. R. as a special constable. After this criminal intimacy was soon developed, and as Wilson let them think he was as big a scoundrel as the next one he got to know their secrets. As a first haul among many it was resolved to rob the Grand Trunk, and Fahey proposed that they should attack Paymaster Wright, who is over 80, on his next trip up the line to pay the hands and relieve him of $16,000. Friday night it was thought the time had arrived to nip the conspiracy, and accordingly Fahey was arrested in the Richelieu Hotel along with Wilson and Maxwell in a room where the conspiracy was hatched. Naegel in the Central Police Station and Bureau, who had been taken on the city force after his dismissal by the G. T. R., after a robbery, on his beat. The two Americans spent the night in the lock-up with the other prisoners, and it was only when they were brought into court in the morning that Fahey and his pals knew how they had been duped. They were remanded for a few days to allow depositions to be completed. Bureau afterwards confessed his guilt and expressed a desire to turn Queen's evidence. Fahey admitted to Wilson being the author of many mysterious robberies here, including one from the city hall few years ago when $1,800 was stolen, and also said he had insured his house in the east end for $9,000, had it burned down and pocketed the proceeds. Naegel also confessed to similar doings. Some years ago the latter distinguished himself by shooting a desperate criminal and saving the lives of two comrades, and received a medal from the city council therefor, but lately has been in bad repute, and had resigned a few weeks ago, though his resignation was not yet accepted. It was through him that the notorious counterfeiter, Raine, was allowed to escape two years ago, and people are asking how many of the robberies in the city of late years have been committed by those who were paid to guard their interests. Fahey told Wilson at a plan to steal Sir Donald Smith's famous painting by Innes Becton, "Les Communistes," now on exhibition in Toronto, and hold it for ransom. There are rumors afloat of further arrests, but the authorities are very reticent, and it is impossible to obtain information.

GENERAL NEWS.

QUICK TIME EXPECTED.

MONTREAL, Dec. 11.—Mr. Van Horne, in conversation Saturday, said he understood the orders of the Orient line, the Anderson's of London, were among the tenderers for the Atlantic mail service, and if they were successful they intended putting a ride of trains on which would beat anything afloat. If they do so and reduce the time of the Arcadia as much as they cut the record from England to Australia we only expect five day trips.

C. P. R. Earnings.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co's earnings for the week ending Dec. 7th were $274,000, same week last year $245,000. The above does not include earnings on the Minneapolis Railway.

THE SALVATION ARMY TEA CASE.

QUEBEC, Dec. 11.—At the city council meeting Friday night Mayor Langlois made a many speech in defence of the duty asked in regard to the Salvation Army, and the council unanimously decided to pay the costs of both sides in the test case now before the courts.

A DEAD TIE CAT.

TORONTO, Dec. 11.—Chas. Jas. Young is one of a young man's followers of the criminal of the Dominion of the New York calendar of crimes recently denoting and Womanism.

SUICIDE AND MURDER.

Rachel Decker on previously murdered her husband, David, and shooting in a fit of jealousy.

THE "WEEK."

Mr. Moodie, who is the "Week," has severed his connection with that paper. A new Canadian literary journal is shortly to be started in Toronto, with which he will be connected. Mr. Graham Smith and others are interested in the new venture.

An Alleged Returns.

OTTAWA, Dec. 11.—Mrs. W. H. Muldoon, who eloped with Fen. Hamilton, caused a sensation by returning to the city to-day. She protests her innocence and is here to consult her lawyer about her counter application for divorce.

Indicted by the Pope.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Chas. L. Webster, a well-known publisher of this city, was recently made a member of the Order of Pius by Pope Leo XIII. The order was conferred by Archbishop Corrigan and was bestowed on account of Mr. Webster's labors in getting together a life of the Pope which was published a short time ago. Webster is the first American who has received knighthood from the Pope.

Most, the anarchist, was released today on $3,000 bail, pending arrangements for a new trial. Mrs. Ida Hoffman was on the bond.

Jake Sharp's condition is said to be very precarious.

Ingersol Asked to Orate.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—The Anarchist burial committee this morning telegraphed their sympathizers in New York asking them to see Col. Bob. Ingersol and invite him to deliver an oration over the five "martyrs" when they are removed on Sunday week to their permanent graves.

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